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BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268

Mailing Online Service, 1998

Docket No. MC98-1

## NOTICE OF APPEARANCE AS A LIMITED PARTICIPATOR BY HALLMARK CARDS, INCORPORATED

Hallmark Cards, Incorporated ("Hallmark") hereby gives notice that it will participate in the above-captioned proceeding as a limited participator, pursuant to the Commission's Notice in this docket, and to § 20a of the Commission's Rules of Practice (39 CFR § 3001.20a).

Hallmark has an interest in this proceeding in that, as the largest publisher of greeting cards in the United States, its business is materially affected by the Postal Service's rates, classifications, special services, and operational and business development policies insofar as they either foster or discourage the use of First-Class Mail for personal communication. In particular, Hallmark has an interest in such developments as they affect the use of single-piece First-Class Mail, the predominant mode of mailing for greeting cards. Hallmark is also a substantial user of First-Class Mail in the conduct of its own corporate affairs.

Hallmark intends to participate fully in this proceeding, including hearings held therein, within the letter and spirit of § 20a of the Rules of Practice.

It is requested that service of documents be made upon:



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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with § 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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